

18. (New) Brake pad assembly, comprising:

a retaining spring device coupled to said brake pad, said spring device for detachably coupling the brake pad to a piston of a spot-type disc brake said retaining spring device including at least one spring element which includes, at least one portion, under spring bias and wherein said at least one spring element is movable into abutment in a groove in the piston and is attached to the side of the brake pad by means of at least one retaining element, wherein the retaining element is configured as a retaining plate which is undetachably fastened to the brake pad and has at least one integrated retaining member.

Sub 19. (New) The brake pad as claimed in claim 18, wherein the brake pad includes a carrier plate and a friction lining applied thereto, wherein the retaining element is being undetachably connected to the carrier plate.

20. (New) The brake pad as claimed in claim 18, further including a spring element which, with at least two portions thereof under spring bias, is movable into abutment in the groove in the piston.

21. (New) The brake pad of claim 20, wherein the spring element includes at least one first spring portion which urges the brake pad against the piston.

Sub 22. (New) The brake pad of claim 21, wherein the spring element includes two first spring portions which are arranged opposite each other with respect to an axis of said piston axis.

23. (New) The brake pad of claim 22, wherein the spring element includes at least one second spring portion which applies a spring force to the brake pad generally perpendicularly to the piston axis.